

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
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CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

PCT/CH2002/000583

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TITLE OF INVENTION

METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A PLANT-BASED CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL OBTAINED BY MEANS OF SAID METHOD

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. [X] This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. [] This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. [X] This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. [X] The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. [X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. [] is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. [X] has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. [] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. [X] An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. [X] is attached hereto.
 - b. [] has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. [X] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. [] are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. [] have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. [] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. [X] have not been made and will not be made.
8. [] An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. [X] An **(Executed)** oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. [] An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. [] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. [X] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. [X] A preliminary amendment.
14. [] An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76
15. [] A substitute specification.
16. [] A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. [] A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
18. [] A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. [] A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. [X] Other items or information (*specify*): *3 sheet of drawings; EFS form; postcard; Copy of 1st page of publication; PTO 1449, Copy of Claims amended under Article 34*

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

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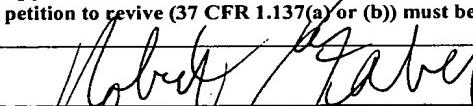
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TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =		\$900.00		
[] Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.		\$		
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Total Claims		31- 20 =	11	x \$ 50 \$ 550.00
Independent Claims		2 - 3 =	0	x \$200 \$ 000.00
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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =		\$1450.00		
[X] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by $\frac{1}{2}$.		\$ 725.00		
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